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- 1. YUGOSLAV FOREIGN SECRETARIAT PRESS SPOKESMAN JUNE 23 STATED BULGARIANS HAVE REQUESTED EXTRADITION OF HIJACKER DIMITROV. SPOKESMAN DID NOT INDICATE WHETHER YUGOSLAVS WILL THEMSELVES TRY HIJACKER OR GIVE HIM TO BULGARIANS.
- 2. YUGOSLAV CORRESPONDENT OF WESTERN NEWS AGENCY, WHO WAS AT AIRPORT AT TIME OF HIJACKING, TOLD EMBOFF THAT HIJACKER WAS TALKED INTO SURRENDERING BY YUGOSLAV SECURITY AUTHORITIES WITH PROMISE THAT HE WOULD BE TAKEN TO ANOTHER AIRCRAFT AND ALLOWED TO DEPART YUGOSLAVIA. HE VOLUNTARILY DESCENDED FROM AIRCRAFT AND PASSED WEAPON TO YUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES WHO MET HIM ON TARMAC. THEY THEN ARRESTED HIM. AT THAT TIME, BULGARIAN PILOT CAME UP AND PUNCHED HIJACKER. ONE SHOT HAD BEEN FIRED INTO THE ROOF OF AIRCRAFT ABOUT 10 MINUTES AFTER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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HIJACKER COMMENCED WHEN BULARIAN ARMY CAPTAIN WHO WAS PASSENGER ON AIRCRAFT ATTEMPTED TO GRAPPLE WITH HIJACKER.

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